CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY Republic of Indonesia

ILLEGIB

STATE

ARMY

NAVY

DATE DISTR 20 JUL 51

SUBJECT Transportation Service/Roads

NO. OF PAGES 1

PLACE ACQUIRED DATE ACQŪIRED

NO. OF ENCLS. (LISTED BELOW)

25X1A

SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO.

25X1X

DATE OF

- Regular passenger schedules are maintained on the Djakarta Cheribon -Semerang - Surabaya and Bjakarta- Bandung - Jogjakarta - Surokarta lines. Freight service offers reasonably prompt delivery, but theft from shipments is increasingly bad and it is no longer possible to get insurance against piliferage. The insurance companies recommended our placing guards on the cars carrying our shipments. The government at first refused permission to do so but recently agreed to it.
- Highways between important cities are generally good. There has been an active program of road improvement and they are immeasurably better than But little grading has been done. 25X1X
 - 3. The road Diakarta - Bogor - Bandung is macadam surface and of narrow twolane width, about fourteen feet. All of the road is very crooked and between Bogor and Bandung has very steep grades. The District Cheribon road is macadam and reported as in good condition. Cheribon - Semarang is macadam surfaced but is reported as in only fair condition. The only report I have on the Semarang - Surabaya road is that it is open.
 - The highway bisharta- Kebojoran has been in use about six months.
 - Shipment by truck has not proven to be a solution to the pilferage on the 5. railroads. One truck dispatched to FBandaung was shot up by bandits. In 25X1X a truck to handle shipments to Semarang. One trip was made but when the driver returned he reported the trip was too bazardous due to bandit activities and would not make another trip. No one was found that would take the assignment and the project was abandoned. Trucking is done only from Bogor to

-End-

CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL/US OFFICIALS ONLY DISTRIBUTION NSRB

X NAV